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Dear Friends,

Greetings from the Philippines! Our most sincerest prayers is that this letter comes to you at the best of your health! We hope that all is well with you as we continue to have you in our prayers during this pandemic.

As we are all coping with the worldwide COVID-19 crisis, the Lord has been gracious to us here in the Philippines. No words are enough to describe His faithfulness to His children during this trying time in each of our lives! We are grateful because He has kept our family safe in terms of our health.

During this past quarter, so many plans should have been set on our table: our annual VBS, Junior and Senior youth summer camp, weekly Kids' feeding, and ministering to the homeless. However, the Lord had other plans in mind. Since the middle of March, our country has been on complete lockdown because of COVID-19. The government set checkpoints on every town prohibiting regular citizens to travel. No public transportation has been going around and a great majority of our countrymen do not own cars. Only frontliners are provided with shuttles to travel around. Because of this, we were forced to do church, virtually worshipping together through social media. As ministers of God's Word, this greatly saddens our family. But we must make the best out of what we have.

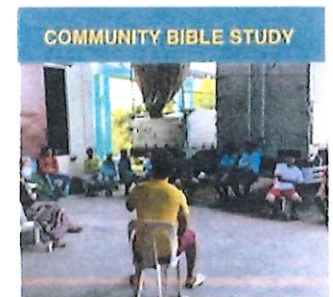
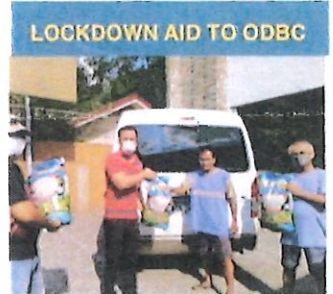
Because of the lockdown, no one is able to go to work. The government for a while handed out a little bit of supplies coming from local funds. But these are really not enough to suffice our daily needs. Members of ODBC were also greatly affected because of this situation and the impact is felt until now.

It is a blessing because the Lord continues to provide. Through the monthly financial support that you send us, we are able to channel this blessing to them: with rice, eggs, and other groceries. Some of them experienced illnesses, and with your gifts of love, we are also able to contribute to their hospital bills.

It has been a while since I was able to visit my mother because of this lockdown. But I and my wife were finally able to get through some checkpoints and visit with her. I count this as a great privilege even in the midst of a crisis, because I was given a chance to share the gospel to some men and ladies that were in her compound. Truly the Lord works in His perfect way!

In mid June, our lockdown has been partially lifted because of the necessity of some stores and other establishments to be opened. Our country is now going through an economic whirlpool and furthermore confirmed COVID-19 cases has been shooting up everyday with an average of 1500-2000 infected per day. Our hospitals are not able to accommodate so much even in the Metro Manila area. Our fieldwork is in a congested area and the virus can be easily spread around. Please continue to pray for the Caba Family and also for our country.

We know that you, too, are going through struggles right now as the entire world is. Our continuous prayers of grace and safety are for you. In spite of this rising pandemic, from the bottom of our hearts, we would like to sincerely let you know how grateful we are for your lives and for the love that you have for the Lord's ministry. You fill a great big role in our ministry and took us to be your 'utmost parts of the earth'. We have you in our prayers.



"The Lord is gracious and full of compassion... and His tender mercies are all over His works."

Psalm 145:8-9